## Amendment to the Claims:

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Withdrawn) A packaging film comprising:
  - a first layer and a second layer laminated together by a third layer:

wherein two parallel cuts extend completely through said first layer, but not through said second layer, to form a strip that extends between said two parallel cuts for the length of said packaging film;

wherein said strip can be removed from said packaging film without damage to other layers of said packaging film.

- (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, wherein said first layer comprises multiple layers.
- 3. (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, wherein said first layer comprises graphics.
- (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, wherein said second layer comprises multiple layers.
- (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, wherein said second layer comprises a barrier layer.
- (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, wherein said third layer comprises a plastic.
- (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, wherein said third layer comprises an adhesive.

 (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, further comprising a release layer between said third layer and said first layer in the region underlying said strip.

 (Withdrawn) The packaging film of Claim 1, further comprising a release layer between said third layer and said second layer in the region underlying said strip.

10. (Withdrawn) A package comprising:

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- a flexible packaging material having a first layer and a second layer laminated together by a third layer;
- wherein two parallel cuts extend completely through said first layer, but not through said second layer, to form a strip of said first layer therebetween;
  - wherein said strip can be removed from said package without harming other layers of said package.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said first layer comprises multiple layers.
- 12. (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said first layer contains graphics.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said second layer comprises a barrier layer.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said second layer comprises multiple layers.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said third layer comprises an extruded plastic.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said third layer comprises an adhesive.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, further comprising a release layer between said third layer and said first layer in the region underlying said strip.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, further comprising a release layer between said third layer and said second layer in the region underlying said strip.

19. (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said strip comprises a coupon.

- 20. (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said strip comprises a sticker.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein said strip comprises a sticker.
- (Withdrawn) The package of Claim 10, wherein removing said strip reveals an adhesive layer for re-closing said package.

23. (Currently Amended) A method of making a flexible packaging film for a package, said method comprising the steps of:

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feeding a first flexible film comprising a graphics layer into a laminator; feeding a second flexible film comprising a barrier layer into a laminator; slitting longitudinally through said first flexible film at two laterally displaced locations to form a strip therebetween wherein said strip is completely detached from said first flexible film prior to lamination;

providing a laminating material between said first film and said second film; and pressing said first film and said second film together to form said flexible packaging film; and

forming said flexible packaging film into a package having two transverse seals; wherein said slitting step takes place within 1-24 inches of said pressing step; wherein said strip can be separated from the rest of said flexible packaging film without injury to other layers of said packaging film.

- (Original) The method of Claim 23, wherein said providing step comprises extruding a
  molten plastic laver between said first flexible film and said second flexible film.
- (Currently amended) The method of Claim 23, wherein said providing step comprises
  applying an adhesive layer to said first flexible film <u>before said film is slit</u>.
- (Original) The method of Claim 23, further comprising the step of applying a release coating to said first flexible film in the region of said strip.
- (Original) The method of Claim 23, further comprising the step of applying a release
  coating to said second flexible film in the region that will be laminated to said strip.